

SNOWMOBILE RECREATION COUNCIL AGENDA & RECORD**July 23, 2007**

Portage County Annex, Stevens Point, WI

Presenter/ Time	Agenda Item	Key Points	Outcomes, Next Steps, Assignments
8:30 AM Mike Cerny	1. Call to Order	Members Present: Mike Cerny, Chair, Bev Dittmar, Vice Chair, Rick Steimel, Jerry Green, Jon Schweitzer, Karen Carlson, Bob Lang, Tom Thornton, Andy Malecki, Tom Chwala, Donna White, and Sam Landis Others Present: Diane Conklin, Gary Eddy, Pat Zatopa, Gary Hanson, Pat Sheahan, Tom Blotz – DNR and representatives from various counties and AWSC	
	2. Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting		Motion by Donna White, second by Tom Thornton to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. <u>Motion Carried</u>
	3. Comments	Mike Cerny noted that he had attended the International Snowmobile Congress in Bloomington, MN. He noted that Diane Conklin also attended as well as Andy Malecki, Donna White, and Tom Chwala, Bev Dittmar noted that she had attended various committee meetings and that the crew were working very hard.	
	4. Citizen Participation	Morris Nelson, AWSC, discussed the 55 mph night time speed limit. He indicated that legislators had lined up to start an appeal to extend the 55 mph night time speed limit for three (3) years and increase the non-resident trail pass from \$18.00 to \$35.00. He calculated that this would increase the supplemental fund by \$600,000.	Motion made by Andy Malecki to raise the non-resident fee, seconded by Bev Dittmar, from \$18.00 to \$35.00. <u>Motion Carried.</u> Motion made by Bev Dittmar to support the 55 mph night time speed limit for the

		<p>placed in a sliding scale based upon the cost of the project. Also, not just the immediate property where the bridge is but the adjoining trail portions should be included too.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ? December Deer Hunt – This was made permanent north of Highway 8. ? Amery to Dresser – very frustrating for the counties involved in this litigation. Snowmobiles have provided \$5,000 contribution to the litigation. Blue Ribbon Coalition has also contributed. ? Cheese Country Trail – two ethanol plants are being proposed. There has been discussion to remove or relocate the trail because of this. Rails and Harbors (DOT), DNR, and various railroads are in discussions. However, nothing has materialized so far. ? Wisconsin River Bridge from Sauk City to Mazomanie. Currently there is an unused partially removed railroad bridge which is unuseable due to under cut pilings south of Sauk City. Right now the trail uses a highway bridge and runs through town on CTH “PF”. ? Washington County – use of the bridge is being threatened because of homeland security concerns. ? UTVs – permits are being discussed for these machines. Some concerns regarding this because of the width. ? Non-Resident Stickers – No numbers yet. Also discussed the proposed increase. The committee supported the increase. ? Equipment – proposal for rollers to be used to 	
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		<p>pack prior to grooming. These are updated on the Equipment Rate sheet. Also, increase the groomer rates for Class A and B by \$5.00. No increase for Class C.</p> <p>? Landowner payment proposal – started by Senator Breske for ATVs. Snowmobiles were included late in the development but have since been removed.</p> <p>Andy read a letter from Jefferson County Snowmobile Alliance thanking them for the funding they received. However, they have not found an agreeable location yet. If none is found by 2008, they will withdraw their grant and return funds.</p>	<p>Motion was made by Bev Dittmar to approve the committee minutes, seconded by Tom Thornton. <u>Motion Carried.</u></p>
	7.Action Arising from Reports		<p>Motion made by Andy Malecki to raise the non-resident fee, seconded by Bev Dittmar, from \$18.00 to \$35.00. <u>Motion Carried.</u></p> <p>Motion made by Bev Dittmar to support the 55 mph night time speed limit for the next 3 years, seconded by Jerry Green. <u>Motion Carried.</u></p> <p>Motion by Andy Malecki to add reason for trail closure to the form for mandatory reroutes, seconded by Bev Dittmar. <u>Motion Carried.</u></p>
	8. Council Elections	<p>Elections for Chair were conducted by Diane Conklin</p>	<p>Motion by Tom Chwala, second by Jerry Green to nominate Mike Cerny for Council chair.</p> <p>After 3 calls for nominations, Donna</p>

			<p>White moved, seconded by Tom Chwala to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Mike Cerny as chair. <u>Motion carried.</u></p> <p>Motion by Donna White, seconded by Sam Landes to nominate Bev Dittmar for Council vice-chair.</p> <p>After 3 calls for nominations, Donna White moved, seconded by Tom Chwala to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Bev Dittmar for Council vice-chair. <u>Motion carried.</u></p>
	<p>9. Trail Matters</p> <p>Equipment and Labor Rates</p> <p>Proposed County</p>	<p>The equipment rate adjustments were discussed again, as presented from the Infrastructure Committee.</p> <p>Diane outlined the summary of revenues available and</p>	<p>Mike will write a letter of response to county coordinator.</p> <p>Motion made by Andy Malecki to accept recommendation by committee to accept 8' and 10' rollers in the appropriate classes, seconded by Bev Dittmar. <u>Motion Carried.</u></p> <p>Motion by Andy Malecki to increase the grooming rates (A and B) by \$5.00 (see Equipment Rate Sheet), seconded by Bev Dittmar. <u>Motion Carried.</u></p> <p>Motion by Andy Malecki to add rotary, pull behind, brusher to be charged at \$12.00/hr – DOT 413 Class, seconded by Donna White. <u>Motion Carried.</u></p> <p>Motion by Bev Dittmar, second by Sam</p>

		Trail Rehabilitation	<p>request for \$17,300 Bridge rehab that was only 50% funded by the ORV Council taking the total Bridge Rehab to \$567,802. <u>Motion carried.</u></p> <p>Motion made by Jerry Green, second by Andy Malecki to approve the trail rehab requests with the exception of LaCrosse at \$2,775, Pierce - \$13,130, and deduct \$500 from Bayfield County for signs. Roll call vote was requested.</p> <table> <tr><td>Landes</td><td>N</td><td>Dittmar</td><td>Y</td></tr> <tr><td>White</td><td>Y</td><td>Chwala</td><td>Y</td></tr> <tr><td>Malecki</td><td>Y</td><td>Thornton</td><td>Y</td></tr> <tr><td>Lang</td><td>N</td><td>Carlson</td><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>Schweitzer</td><td>N</td><td>Green</td><td>Y</td></tr> <tr><td>Willman</td><td>N</td><td>Steimel</td><td>N</td></tr> </table> <p>Because of a tie, Mike Cerny voted – N <u>Motion failed – 7 No's – 6 Yes's</u></p> <p>Motion by Mike Willman, second by Sam Landes to approve Trail Rehab requests with the exception of LaCrosse \$2,775 and minus \$500 from Bayfield. Roll call vote requested.</p> <table> <tr><td>Landes</td><td>Y</td><td>Dittmar</td><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>White</td><td>N</td><td>Chwala</td><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>Malecki</td><td>Y</td><td>Thornton</td><td>Y</td></tr> <tr><td>Lang</td><td>Y</td><td>Carlson</td><td>Y</td></tr> <tr><td>Schweitzer</td><td>Y</td><td>Green</td><td>Y</td></tr> <tr><td>Willman</td><td>Y</td><td>Steimel</td><td>Y</td></tr> </table>	Landes	N	Dittmar	Y	White	Y	Chwala	Y	Malecki	Y	Thornton	Y	Lang	N	Carlson	N	Schweitzer	N	Green	Y	Willman	N	Steimel	N	Landes	Y	Dittmar	N	White	N	Chwala	N	Malecki	Y	Thornton	Y	Lang	Y	Carlson	Y	Schweitzer	Y	Green	Y	Willman	Y	Steimel	Y
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		Mandatory Trail Relocation	<p><u>Motion carried.</u> Total approved for Trail Rehab - \$88,803.</p> <p>Motion by Tom Chwala, second by Tom Thornton to approve Mandatory Trail Relocation with the following changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ? Iron County (\$20,864) approved \$8,375. ? Taylor County (\$70,000) approved \$35,000. (County will receive additional \$35,000 for ORV,) ? Green Lake County (\$323,750) denied as still discretionary. ? Oconto County (\$42,000) funded 0 as fully funded by ORV Council. ? Burnett County (\$65,500) denied as should be funded by Airport Commission. <p>Total approved for Mandatory Trail Relocation - \$76,399. <u>Motion carried.</u></p>
		New Miles	<p>Motion by Bev Dittmar, second by Donna White to approve Langlade County request to develop 19.33 miles (Wolf River Grade) \$386,421. Deny all other new miles. <u>Motion carried.</u></p>
		New Bridges	<p>Motion by Bev Dittmar, second by Sam Landes to approve the</p>

			<p>following new bridges;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ? Marathon County - \$15,850 ? Sawyer County - \$87,500 ? Clark County - \$14,806. <p>All others denied for a total of \$118,156. <u>Motion carried.</u></p> <p>Motion by Andy Malecki, second by Donna White to keep the balance of funds and hold another meeting on October 1, after reviewing supplemental requests.</p>
	10. Member Items	County rules require that, for him to continue to work with Pat Sheehan, DNR CSS, on the Hubbleton bridge, he need formal permission from the Council.	<p>Motion by Donna White to allow Tom Chwala to continue to work on the Hubbleton Bridge with DNR CSS for Jefferson County and report back to the Council. Seconded by Bev Dittmar. <u>Motion Carried.</u></p>
	11. Next Meeting	It was decided that the next meeting will be in Columbia County on October 1.	
	12. Adjournment		<p>Motion by Bev Dittmar, second by Donna White to adjourn the meeting at 3:15 PM. <u>Motion carried.</u></p>